

2024-25

HIGHLIGHTS

B EVERETT JORDAN & AO BALLFIELD IMPROVEMENTS

Major Capital Improvement Projects funded by Alamance County in fiscal year 23-24 and 24-25 continued with improvements to the B Everett Jordan Athletic Park completed this year including a new concessions and restroom building, new picnic shelter with storage space, site improvements for accessibility and drainage as well as repairs and improvements to the ballfield fencing and dugouts. The completed improvements made to the AO Athletic park included upgraded sports lighting, site clearing, clean up and grading.

ALCOVETS BALLOON FESTIVAL

Sponsored by ALCOVETS, the Balloon Festival was held September 13-15, 2024 and featured 3 days of fun at Cedarrock Park. Visitors enjoyed live music, local vendors, food trucks, balloon rides, and a car show. All proceeds from the event were used to support local veterans.

CANE CREEK MOUNTAINS NATURAL AREA • MONADNOCK LOOKOUT TOWER

In May of 2025 the Monadnock Lookout Tower in Cane Creek Mountains Natural Area was officially completed and opened to the public. The 80-foot tall observation tower provides unobstructed views of Alamance County in all directions. The park currently offers camping facilities, wildlife observation areas and approximately 10 miles of trail.

PLEASANT GROVE COMMUNITY CENTER • DISC GOLF COURSE

The addition of nine new holes to the disc golf course at Pleasant Grove Elementary Community Center has expanded recreational opportunities for players of all skill levels while making better use of the surrounding green space. This enhancement will create a more complete and engaging course layout, encouraging longer play and repeat visits from the community.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS ALAMANCE COUNTY SPRING GAMES

Special Olympics Alamance County hosted the 2025 Spring Games at Elon University's Schar Center for the first time. This event had a total participation of 394 athletes and 553 volunteers. Spring Games offers three events for athletes to compete in, which include long jump, track and softball throwing.

797,125

Visitors to Alamance Parks

500

Total Programs Held

10,174

Program Participants

23,961

Program Contact Hours

Logged by Staff



LOOKING AHEAD

CANE CREEK MOUNTAINS NATURAL AREA

Development continues on the Cane Creek Mountains Natural Area. Phase 3, known as Peach Orchard Trailhead, is targeted to open in November of 2025. This trailhead will feature 3 trails offering a total of nearly 5 miles of hiking trails to explore. This will also provide a connection to the Oak Hill Trailhead, creating the opportunity to take advantage of more extensive hiking routes.



SHALLOW FORD NATURAL AREA

Alamance Parks has been awarded grant funding to make various enhancements at Shallow Ford Natural Area. Planned improvements include the replacement of a pedestrian bridge, installation of paddle access steps near the camping area, installation of tent pads for primitive camping and improvement to the existing parking area.



CEDAROCK PARK • ACCESSIBILITY ENHANCEMENTS

Alamance Parks has been awarded grant funds for implementing accessibility enhancements throughout Cedarrock Park. Planned improvements consist of a 2.8 mile walking track, ADA compliant campites, fishing pier, restroom facilities and more. These efforts are being made to ensure that guests of all abilities who visit Cedarrock Park are able to enjoy what the space has to offer.

HAW RIVER STATE TRAIL

Haw River State Trail was awarded two grants, which will fund DOT signage on bridges over the Haw River, the replacement of a pedestrian bridge along the Haw River, the replacement of paddle access steps at the Altamahaw Ossipee paddle access, updated blueway guides that cover the entirety of the paddle trail corridor as well as a master corridor study of the projected state trail locations.

CAROLINA MILL

Alamance Parks has been awarded grant funds to complete the clean up of the former Carolina Mill site as well as beginning the process of transforming the site into a future community park.

